



**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: Joerg BEWERSDORF et al.  
Serial No.: 10/037,851 Confirmation No.: 6733  
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For: MICROSCOPE AND METHOD FOR OPERATING A  
MICROSCOPE  
Art Unit: 2872  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the office action dated October 20, 2003 received in the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully request reconsideration of the application based on the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.